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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR, KS, KN
SUBJECT: HELICOPTER INCIDENT

1. WHILE MEDIA TREATMENT IN U.S. HAS BEEN VERY LIGHT, THERE OBVIOUSLY CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN SUCH INCIDENTS. DEPARTMENT HAS USED PRESS GUIDANCE PROVIDED BY CINCUNC AS REPORTED IN PRESS. MILITARY MESSAGES ON HELICOPTER INCIDENT HAVE NOT REPEAT NOT BEEN ROUTINELY AVAILABLE IN STATE. MOREOVER, PRESS GUIDANCE CABLE NOT ADDRESSED TO STATE. CONSEQUENTLY WE MUST RELY ON EMBASSY REPORTING.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY COMMENTS ON FOLLOWING.

A. IT IS IMPORTANT TO KNOW HERE WHETHER HELICOPTERS AT ANY TIME WERE NOT IN ROK AIR SPACE. WE ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF U.S. AIRCRAFT STRAYING INTO NK TERRITORY AND CONSEQUENT CASUALTIES OR IMPRISONMENT OF CREW.

B. WHAT WAS MISSION OF HELICOPTERS? WOULD APPRECIATE BRIEF SUMMARY OF KINDS AND NUMBER OF RECON MISSIONS U.S.
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AIRCRAFT CURRENTLY FLY ALONG DMZ. IMPRESSION HERE HAS

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BEEN THAT WITHDRAWAL OF U.S. FORCES FROM DMZ GREATLY REDUCED NEED FOR SUCH FLIGHTS.

C. WE HAVE JUST NOTED HAPDONG REPORT THAT UNC CALLING MAC MEETING ON MAY 14. WHAT ARE PLANS FOR HANDLING HELICOPTER INCIDENT AT MAC MEETING?

3. IMPORTANT THAT DEPARTMENT BE INFO ADDRESSEE ON MILITARY MESSAGES REPORTING ON INVESTIGATION AND
WILL APPRECIATE EMBASSY MAKING THIS POINT TO COMUSK. WILL ALSO WELCOME EMBASSY SUMMARY. RUSH

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